

## RUSSIA WILL SEEK U. S. TRADE DESPITE FIRM STAND IN NOTE Soviet Representative Says European Peace Depends on Early Agreement Between America and Bolshevists.

By the Associated Press.  
LONDON, April 1.—Despite the uncompromising tone of the recent note of Secretary of State Hughes in reply to representations by Russia for the opening of trade relations with the United States, the principal objective of the Russian soviet government's foreign policy is and will continue to be the establishment of relations with the United States, according to Leonid Krassin, the bolshevik representative here. He refuses to recognize the attitude of Washington as an insurmountable difficulty to the establishment of relations with the United States whereby trade would be possible.

M. Krassin gave these views when interviewed by the Associated Press today.

He stated that the admission to America of Russian commercial representatives was the first requirement in initial transactions would then be carried out by means of cash payments, with the question of credits, naturally, arising later.

**Will Offer Guarantees.**

"In its relations with foreign governments the soviet government is prepared to respect the principle of private property and act upon the policy of exchange of equal values in trade," said M. Krassin. "If these guarantees are insufficient, the soviet government will be placed, acceptable to financial institutions, insuring against violation of contracts."

No predictions or promises of any great volume of trade were made. He expected the immediate difficulties would be transported. Concentration of the Russian people's energies for three years on warfare had reduced production to a minimum, and the only remedy, he declared, was the opening of relations with foreign nations.

**Way to European Peace.**

The fact that trade had been carried on by soviet Russia with the Baltic states for a year, the Russian representative pointed out, was proof of its practicability. It was inevitable that commercial relations would be re-established with America. The sooner they were started the sooner Russian reconstruction would get under way, and this would mean an earlier economic peace for Europe and the world. The world, he added emphatically, is in Europe, he added emphatically.

EVERYBODY SAYS, WHERE'S THE MONUMENT?

Washington.  
The other day a policeman asked a question he had no answer most and he said, "Where's the Monument," and after that "Where's the White House." So I went over to the Monument to look around and have a talk with J. A. Olsen, the custodian. He has been there for thirteen years, so he has seen a lot of people so up that hill to take the elevator to the top.

I do not know which is the most interesting, the Monument or Mr. Olsen's office. In his office are some old-time pictures of the Monument, taken at different times, when they were working on it. You know they worked on it a while and then quit for a while, and those pictures sure do look funny now.

I have just received a letter asking why there are two colors of stone in the Monument. About half way up the color changes and that is because they got that far with the work and then quit, waiting for Congress to appropriate some more money to finish the job. All in all it took nearly 100 years to complete the Monument and the first idea was to have a statue of George Washington on top of it. In 1783 the Continental Congress first took up the plans. In 1793 Congress voted the Monument, but there was no money, as the people were still paying for the war. On July 4, 1848, a real start was made and what members of the J. T. C. know who delivered a famous oration at that time. Then the work lagged for nearly thirty years, and that is what makes the pictures in Mr. Olsen's office so interesting. In 1878 the work was started again and in December, 1884, the top stone, weighing 3,300 pounds, was put in place.

The shaft is 55 feet square at the base and thirty feet square at the top. There are all kinds of stone in it. If you have the time, take the elevator up and walk down. You will see stones particularly by Masonic organizations, particularly the Masons, of which organization Washington was a member. In the plans of the Lincoln Memorial, down near the river, there is to be a mirror pool and then the reflection of the Monument and the Memorial in that pool will be a wonderful sight. Do not forget to write me the answer to the question I asked you in this letter.

RUSSELL BURKE.  
The Travelog Boy.

**Crowds See Boy Fly Box Kite**

How many boys in the Junior Travel Club make a hobby of kite flying? I would like to know and have them write to me. Down at the point at the end of the Speedway Sunday I saw John Wignall of the Brookland public school flying a box kite in the strong wind, and he certainly kept the big crowd around the "horse-shoe," which I call the place to park automobiles. Well, entertained for quite a while. I never saw the wind blow so down there, and the water from the river was washing up over the sea wall all the time. But March is just the time for box kites, so I want to hear from all the box kite fliers in Washington. Your kites should be in the Y. M. C. A. hobby show next week.

I see a lot of boys are putting up the bird houses that they made for the exhibition of the nature study department of the public schools. I wish each one who puts up a bird house would write to me so I can keep a lookout, too, for what happens. Robert Blatt, who lives on F street northeast, has some bird houses to which whole families of birds come every year.

Yesterday I received some bad news from a member of the Junior Travel Club in Newark, N. J. He told me Bill, the Belgian, who is doing the work, and Bill had worked hard in all the liberty loan campaigns. He had worked so hard that he had a letter from former Secretary McAdoo about his good work. Bill, the letter tells me, would not cross a street until he heard the policeman's whistle. How many members of the Junior Travel Club can say as much? Bill has been awarded a loving cup by the Animal Rescue League.

The Japanese cherry trees are all

out, and you should see them. I counted more than a hundred people with cameras Sunday taking pictures of them, and then I quit counting. Who knows the history of those trees and where they came from. Let's hear from the members of the Junior Travel Club on this.

Who's in the clean-up campaign. I saw the men at the Washington Monument yesterday were digging out the little trenches along the picture of the roads and cleaning up things all around. Col. Ridley's men must not touch the school children for this. I see where the schools ask for clean-up slogans. How about this? Every Playground Prim as a Parlor. Send me your slogan and I will forward it to the teachers.

RUSSELL BURKE.  
The Evening Star.

**RULES ON RATE RAISE.**

I. C. C. Holds South Carolina May Conform to Schedule.

The Interstate Commerce Commission ruled yesterday that state freight and passenger rates in South Carolina, recently ordered raised to interstate levels, need be raised only to conform to actual schedule and not to the maximum authorized in interstate commerce. Investigation in that state had disclosed, it was explained, that some roads had not increased their interstate rates to the authorized maximum, whereas the commission's order for state rates to conform to those in interstate traffic had specifically directed them to be raised to the maximum authorized in interstate commerce. This has resulted in some cases in state rates exceeding the interstate rates actually in effect. Similar changes will be made in other raising rates in other states, it was said.

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In the illustration she is considering the charm of the dainty chemise that matches her gown in each minute detail. It is fashioned of soft white satin, with an exquisite yoke and little butterfly sleeves made of finely tucked and embroidered georgette and bands of dainty insertion, while ribbon streamers held by colorful rosebuds fall from either side.

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90x108 inches, hemmed, \$3.25; hemstitched, \$3.50.

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Wool Jersey Suits, a necessary adjunct to the spring wardrobe; in smart Tuxedo styles with narrow belt, snugly fitted shoulders and collar, or just a bit more tailored, with notch collar, and envelope pockets, in good-looking plain colors or smartly combined with checks. \$25 to \$30.50.

A particularly attractive suit has a bright green coat in Tuxedo style, and a skirt of white, making a very striking combination. \$39.50.

The vogue for a separate Jacket is charmingly brought out in these of wool Jersey, Tuxedo models, with novel pockets and narrow string belts, in such combinations as black with black and white check, tan and jade, and the one illustrated is of Chinese blue, piped in white. \$18.50 and \$19.50.

Special Size Section, Third floor.

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